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From: Gil Davis
To: Mike Powell
Date: Wed, Apr 9, 2003 12:06 AM
Subject: Question...

I would like to know why my public airwaves are being sold off to mega-corporations. I had a dream, as an entrepreneur of someday owning a few radio stations. Now that the "product" is being auctioned off by some "public" agency for profit to a few mega-corps (Citadel, Clear Channel, etc.), how is the little guy supposed to compete with that? Who gave permission (I never voted on this) to auction off the public airwaves? How do I get into that business if it's going to be owned by just a few companies?

What I demand you to do, me having the authority as a taxpayer and a citizen of the United States, is to disband the large broadcasting corporations by making it illegal to own more than 6 or 7 stations total, and definitely not more than 2 AM, 2 FM, and 1 television station in the same market. I believe the new rulings are bordering on anti-trust and in order for these new laws to be expedited as they were, someone must have been paid well in our FCC by one of the corporations...possibly promising a lofty and high-paying position after retirement or resigning to take a new job.

Is this any way to run a country? It seems that it is for a few corrupt individuals. Let's get this changed back to make our airwaves free and you people doing the job you were supposed to do in the first place!

Sincerely,

Gil Davis

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From: tyler cavell
To: wgskroll@igc.org
Date: Wed, Apr 23, 2003 5:59 PM
Subject: Re: Rescheduled USC Media Consolidation Forum, Monday April 28, 2003

I agree. Civic engagement is a priori to good policy. I am a part of this team and there has been little to no room for student engagement in this project.

Americans must move from the minute public spheres of technocrats and lobbyists to an expansive one of civic education and engagement. In the words of Alexis de Tocqueville ("American Democracy", Book II, Chapter 7)

"Political association must therefore be considered as large free schools, where all members of the community go to learn the general theory of association. But even if political association did not directly contribute to the progress of civil association, to destroy the former would be to impair the latter. When citizens can meet in public only for certain purposes, they regard such meetings as a strange proceeding of rare occurrence, and they rarely think at all about it. When they are allowed to meet freely for all purposes, they ultimately look upon public association as the universal."

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----- Original Message -----

From: "wgskroll@igc.org" <wgskroll@igc.org>
 Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 4:10 pm
 Subject: Re: Rescheduled USC Media Consolidation Forum, Monday April 28, 2003

> To ALL:
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 > WHERE is the PUBLIC IN THIS ?
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 > Is there NO PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ?
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 > In the 270 minutes schedule for the 7 speakers plus FCC Commissioner COPPS
 > there appears from this ANNOUNCEMENT that there is NO TIME in this 270
 > minute period for ANY KIND OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OR COMMENT
 > or STATEMENTS.
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 > Is this the case ? If so, I am ashamed of USC Annenberg School.
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 > Please advise.
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 > Henry Kroll
 > Media Democracy Legal Project
 > San Francisco Office
 >
 > cc: Dr. George Gerbner, Dean Emeritus, Annenberg School of Communication,
 > U of Penns.

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 > wbk01 wrote:
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 > > On behalf of the University of Southern California Center for
 > Communication Law and Policy, a research
 > > center of the USC Law School and the USC Annenberg School for
 > Communications, I am pleased to inform you
 > > that the forum to discuss the Media Ownership Rules currently being
 > reviewed by the Federal communications
 > > commission has been rescheduled. The rescheduled forum will take place on
 > Monday, April 28, 2003 at the
 > > Davidson Executive Conference Center on the campus of the University of
 > Southern California in Los Angeles.
 > > The attached announcement will give you further information. Self
 > parking is available on campus for \$6.00
 > > and off campus in Lot T (corner of Jefferson & Figueroa Streets) for
 > \$4.00. If you require additional
 > > information please email wbk01@earthlink.net with any questions. We look
 > forward to having you join us.
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From: Marissa Madrigal
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:13 PM
Subject: No consolidation!

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I am writing to express my concern over the further consolidation of the broadcasting companies. Many people, myself and my family included, that feel as though the already massive media companies rarely broadcast anything we would consider in our "interest". It's not all bad, but it surely isn't all good, and I can't see how further concentration of broadcasting power is going to fix that. It will only make things worse. Way worse. Have you tried listening to anything higher than 91.5 on the F.M. dial lately? Pew. T.V.'s even worse. Please help get more voices on the air. Vote no to consolidation.

Thank you,

M. Madrigal and family

May 6 2003

From: Thom
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:14 PM
Subject: FCC rules changes

Re: Planned FCC Rules Changes

I strongly oppose changes in FCC rules.

It would be a horrible, uncorrectable mistake for FCC to make rules changes allowing for media monopoly. Our democracy depends on a diversity of ideas and freedom of speech. Any additional consolidation would allow a very small base of huge corporate powers to control the news, ideas and information.

We abhor the lack of "freedoms" in other countries. Therefore, we must be vigilant to protect our own country from abuse of power if only a few corporations are allowed to control what information citizens receive and rely on. Diversity of ideas is always needed to maintain a free society.

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From: pamelaba hosler
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:24 PM
Subject: proposed changes

Dear Commissioners:

I understand you are considering some HUGE changes, allowing the same company to own newspapers, radios & television stations....in short, allowing consolidation, and even a monopoly ownership of the media. What a terrible prospect! It's hard enough to get adequate news coverage; even now a lot of the news is "fluff" because the advertisers don't want their product seen next to news of "substance." People with power already prevent significant stories from "making news." Have you ever read Censored 2000 or Censored 2001? Please do! There are so many examples of stories that already have been squashed, and an analysis of the consequences we are already seeing with the consolidation of ownership that has taken place so far.

A democracy is only a democracy if the people are informed, and we can only be informed if we can get accurate news. Having multiple sources of information helps the cause in the same way that having competition among companies helps in inspiring better products at a lower cost.

Shame on you for even considering this consolidation allowance that would be sure to undermine the quality of our news! You are supposed to be looking out for the common citizen, people like me!

You have a great deal of power in the vote ahead of you. Vote this revision down! Please make the preservation of having multiple sources of news for the betterment of our democracy your priority.

With deep concern,
Pamela Hosler
pamelabahosl@hotmail.com

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From: Ss11s@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:28 PM
Subject: June 2, 2003 vote

I am an ordinary citizen. But like most American citizens I take the continuance of our democracy very seriously. It is essential that you reject any proposal that will result in the consolidation of media into fewer hands. This consolidation is a direct threat to our democracy in that it narrows the amount of voices available to the American people. In the name of all that is sacred please do not give away the freedoms that our ancestors died for.

Thank You,
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

From: Jules Goldstein
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:36 PM
Subject: FCC decision on June 2

Commissioner Adelstein:

I urge you not to weaken the rules that help preserve competition and diversity among the owners of American media.

Relaxing the rules for media ownership would allow one company to own the local newspaper, several TV and radio stations, and the cable TV system in the same community. There would be fewer owners of networks, stations, and newspapers nationwide.

Media ownership would be concentrated among fewer companies, and the public's ability to have open, informed discussion with a wide variety of viewpoints would be compromised. Plus, it would likely result in higher costs for businesses that advertise in local media, and those costs would likely be passed onto consumers.

Americans understand that the public interest is NOT being served by deregulation that reduces competition. Please re-instate the traditional media ownership rules for the sake of competition and democracy.

Sincerely,
Janice Goldstein
111 Cambridge St.
St. Paul, MN 55105

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

From: Jack Daane
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:40 PM
Subject: Bust Media Ownership Monopoly

To: Federal Communications Commission
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Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein: jadelste@fcc.gov

From: Jack Daane
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Subject: Bust Media Ownership Monopoly

Date: May 3, 2003

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is threatening to further increase the number of television stations, radio stations, satellite broadcast systems, magazines, and newspapers a single company can own. I am opposed to this increase.

Too few companies own our countries airwaves, newspapers, and magazines today. This gives them far too much propaganda power.

Reduce the number of outlets one company can own, don't increase it. Extend the June 2, 2003 deadline for public comments.

Please serve the citizens of the United States of America, not the corporations.

No response is necessary, but if you do wish to respond, e-mail is most convenient. jackdaane@earthlink.net

Sincerely

Jack Daane

From: crawley cooper
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:43 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

crawley cooper (ecrawleycooper@aol.com) writes:

Please put a stop to Chairman Powell's agenda to hand over the nation's airwaves to a few corporations. This would be a serious blow to democracy.

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From: Carafry@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 6:55 PM
Subject: fcc meetings

dear mr powell

i have recently heard interviews with several of your commissioners, and they were very concerned about the possibility of only a few giant corporations owning virtually all of the radio and television stations in the usa.

this sounds like a rather frightening prospect!!!! it made sense when these

commissioners said that the commission should not rush to a decision,

but must take whatever amount of time that is required to consider all of the

ramafications of your decisions.

their opinions made sense to me, and i urge you to join them in decisions

which are in the interest of ALL the people of this country.

sincerely

martin frey
fairview heights, il

From: FRANL355@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:03 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman

Dear Mr. Powell:

I urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

These proposed changes would pave the way for giant media conglomerates to gain near-total control of radio and television news and information in communities across our nation. Many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air.

The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,

Leslie H. Wilson
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Anne Stires
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From: Sophiesgirl79029@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:15 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein, Commissioner

Dear Mr. Adelstein:

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Sincerely,

Leslie H. Wilson
Sophiesgirl79029@aol.com

From: Isaac Cohen
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:16 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

The proposed changes in the broadcast ownership rules may effectively give media conglomerates virtually total control over the broadcast of information in general and news in particular.

I therefore urge you NOT TO RELAX the rules that protect the public from media monopolies.

Sincerely,

Isaac Cohen

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From: Carl Young
To: Commissioner Adelstein, KM KJMWEB, Michael Copps, Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:21 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Dear Honorable Lady and Gentleman,

It has been brought to my attention as a Business owner and 2nd amendment rights respecer that Big corporations or conglomerate are trying to mislead you into believing that they have the right answer for gun owners.

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

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across our great nation. Many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing views off the air.

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From: BAKienzle@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:28 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,
Richard L. Kienzle,
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CC: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

From: HENRY MOHRER
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:35 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

HENRY MOHRER (henry.mohrer@snet.net) writes:

i am concerned about the forthcoming (June 2) vote that will remove existing limits on the ownership and control of media (i.e. radio, tv, internet). We need to expand not reduce the number of independent stations and channels.

Further consolidation will not be in the public interest

Please refer to Bill Moyers' program of 5/2/03 for details.

Please advise,

Respectfully,

H. Mohrer

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From: Wendy McInnis
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 7:37 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Wendy McInnis (wendymc@bendnet.com) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,

Please do not vote to the media be owned by a few mega conglomerates. As a historian, I think this move is a complete threat to democracy. By the continual commercialization of every aspect of American life we are becoming a very illiterate, uneducated people. This is going to weaken us as a people and it will eventually threaten us as a nation.

No Oligopoly Media,

Wendy McInnis

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From: Compostgal@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 8:00 PM
Subject: Don't vote June 2 if you want Democracy

Commissioner Adelstein: jadelste@fcc.gov

Dear Commissioner Adelstein -

This further concentration of media is appalling.
Here is my letter to Chairman Powell, he may be chair, but you are all responsible for the common good. That is the bottom line, not someone's profits.

Thank you for doing the RIGHT thing,
Democratize the media, not consolidate it.

Trina Paulus

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Dear Chairman Powell -

I already find the concentration of corporate power in the media intolerable for getting at the truth in anything.

I heard you say that big is not always bad, but monopoly of the media is so limiting to voices that need to be heard in a Democracy, that big is really bad in this case.

You just can't push this vote June 2 if you want Democracy.

My point about the problem is proven in that, the already big media has not gone to any length to tell us about this event which will affect us all.
These are OUR airwaves, not theirs or yours.

Also, they hardly mentioned the changes before the vote in 1996. We have creeping control by a few and disenfranchisement to the many. So much was in that 1996 decision I do not approve of, and now you are pushing for more.

Don't do it.

Sincerely,
Trina Paulus

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From: Forrester Nicolson
To: Mike Powell
Date: Sat, May 3, 2003 8:03 PM
Subject: NO! to further media consolidation

Dear Chairman Powell:

In our personal working experience and in a lifetime of following the media, we are sure that further media consolidation is not in the public interest of this nation.

Instead of the great variety of voices and outlets our country once had, citizens now are limited to the deadening sameness and stifling commercialism of corporate-owned media. Consolidation of ownership has already reduced the number of voices to a handful. More media mergers and takeovers would be disastrous for the democratic values of our Republic.

Please do not rush this issue to a vote without adequate public notice and discussion!

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Sincerely,
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From: Tom Yamaguchi
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, Apr 26, 2003 8:03 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

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Tom Yamaguchi (tomyamaguchi@mac.com) writes:

Thank you for coming to San Francisco and giving the public the opportunity to express our concern of the rapid consolidation of media in this country. I was unable to attend but appreciate being able to hear a large portion of the hearing on KPFA radio. I feel very moved to action as I witness the rapid decline of original local programming in the Bay Area. I found the comments regarding Clear Channel especially disturbing. Clear Channel currently owns KNEW AM which is supposed to be an Oakland station but is actually housed with the rest of their broadcasting properties in San Francisco. For several years, the station was used by CNet to broadcast high tech business news, but CNet decided to give up the station in February, and Clear Channel switched it to an all-talk format. For 6 six weeks, KNEW had one show that originated in its San Francisco building, Alex Bennetts morning show. Mr. Bennett, who was the only broadcaster on the station to take a position against !

a US invasion of Iraq, was taken

off the air a few days before the invasion began. He was replaced by a show that originates in Sacramento with hosts that support the war. Regardless of the political positions of the hosts on KNEW, the disturbing news is that, except for short news and traffic reports during the morning hours, all of the station s programming is produced somewhere else.

Although our situation is not as tragic as that of those in that small town in North Dakota, the current climate of deregulation of the media is hurting us in the Bay Area. I am sure that the people of Oakland would love to have their station KNEW back within their city limits and broadcasting news and entertainment that is in the interest of their community.

Tell the commissioners who were not here that we need more local control of the airwaves and that plans to give away our airwaves to corporations such as Clear Channel are taking us in the wrong direction.

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Ordinary Citizen

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From: Sheila Goldner
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sun, Apr 27, 2003 1:05 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Sheila Goldner (ar320@lafn.org) writes:

I am a singer and gifted musician. I have lived in Los Angeles most of my life and have been very aware of the distance between celebrities and other people. I am listening to you on Sunday Salon right now and am sending this e-mail partially because I can't get through on the phone, but also because you asked for comments. If I had gotten through on the phone, I would have asked you to discuss how the anticipated media ownership consolidation would result in exacerbation of the public attitude towards "stars." Even among people I know, people who have a relationship with a celebrity talk about that person as if they were God. A huge element of, for instance, why most Americans don't vote is, in my opinion, an expression of the differentiation between "stars" (not only in Hollywood) and the public. It is also my belief that media consolidation will result in fewer and fewer opportunities for myself and other gifted performers to be heard by the general public.

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I urge you to work against the proposed merger of Hispanic Broadcasting Corporation. This merger raises, all over again, the same red flags that have gone up since Clear Channel began its unprecedented land grab following the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The company went from 40 stations then to approximately 1,200 stations today, or roughly 970 more than its closest competitor. Clear Channel also takes advantage of its 37 television stations, 770,000 billboards and unmatched list of venues, promoters and tours to exert control over the concert industry. Last year the company sold 30 million concert tickets, or 26 million more than its closest competitor.

Juan Romano

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